

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Mahendra Madhukar Patil et al.  
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Title : FLUID-DISPENSER DEVICE CONDUCIVE TO REDUCED  
WATER CONSUMPTION IN A WASHING MACHINE

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

Applicants herewith petition the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to extend the time for reply to the Office Action for two months from 13 May 2008 to 13 July 2008. The fee therefor set by 37 C.F.R §1.17(a) may be charged to Deposit Account 07-0868; any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the same account.